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## Objections To Claims

Claims 32-36 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(a) as including the following errors:

In claim 32 and related dependent claims 33-36, "said turbine frame" (claim 32, line 24) is unclear as to its antecedent basis since the claim recites multiple frames; i.e. "fan and inter-turbine frames" (lines 3-4). It appears that the material in line 24 relates to the inter-turbine frame, and the cited expression should therefore be amended to clarify this point.

In claim 32, lines 26 and 30 make reference to a "second bearing". This expression is confusing since the claim includes no "first bearing". The cited element should merely be referred to as "a bearing". Note that claim 33, line 4, further refers to "said second turbine frame bearing" -- this expression should also be corrected to conform to the final language of claim 32.

In claim 32, line 33 additionally refers to "said aft end". This expression appears to have no clear antecedent and should be changed to "the aft end of [the particular element intended]".

In claim 35, line 3 "said second shaft" likewise has no clear antecedent and is confusing since the claim includes no "first shaft". It appears that the cited language corresponds to the "low pressure shaft" (claim 32, line 19, claim 33, line 3, etc.), and the cited expression should therefore be amended to clarify this point.

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## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 32-36 contain allowable subject matter and will be allowed when the objections set forth above are overcome.

## References

Dibble et al and Williams are cited as disclosing examples of prior art turbine frame structure.

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